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E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: CGEN
SUBJ: VISIT OF CONSULAR ASSISTANCE TEAM

REF: STATE 154539

1. SEVERAL EXISTING OR RECENTLY CHANGED CONDITIONS WHICH AFFECT CONSULAR OPERATIONS AT BRIDGETOWN SUGGEST VISIT BY THE CONSULAR ASSISTANCE TEAM DURING CURRENT CARIBBEAN SWING WOULD BE HIGHLY BENEFICIAL TO POST.

2. EXTRAORDINARY RECENT TURN OVER OF BOTH LOCAL AND U.S. STAFF HAS LOWERED EXPERIENCE LEVEL DRASTICALLY AND PEAK SEASON VISA LOAD HAS PREVENTED SUPERVISORS FROM PROVIDING ALL BUT MOST FUNDAMENTAL TRAINING. AS EXAMPLE OF FIRST CIRCUMSTANCE, CONSULAR OFFICER WITH MOST TIME AT POST IS FIRST-TOUR OFFICER WHO ARRIVED IN NOVEMBER 1976.

3. ALSO CONTRIBUTING TO STAFFING PROBLEM IS REQUIREMENT THAT ONE CONSULAR OFFICER BE IN TRAVEL STATUS AT LEAST A WEEK EACH MONTH ON VISITS TO OTHER ISLANDS IN WIDESPREAD DISTRICT TO ADJUDICATE REFUSALS OF NIV APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED EARLIER BY MAIL.

4. SERIOUS FURTHER COMPLICATING FACTOR WHICH ADDED TO UNCLASSIFIED

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ALREADY CHRONIC BACKLOG IN IV AND NIV UNITS WAS MOVE WHICH TOOK PLACE OVER EXTENDED FOURTH OF JULY WEEK-END TO NEW OFFICES SEPARATE FROM MAIN EMBASSY BUILDING.

5. PROXIMITY OF TEAM AFFORDS EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY FOR POST TO BENEFIT FROM ITS EXPERTISE AND EXPERIENCE PARTICULARLY IN AREAS OF CONSULAR STAFFING AND UTILIZATION OF NEW SPACE.

6. REQUEST DEPT AUTHORIZE VISIT BY FULL TEAM OR
APPROPRIATE MEMBERS FOR EVEN BRIEF VISIT DURING CURRENT
CARRIBBEAN TOUR.
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